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Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Todd J. MORTIER et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3738  
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Application No.: 09/981,790 ) Examiner: David Willse  
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Filed: October 19, 2001 )  
) Conf. No.: 6743  
For: VALVE TO MYOCARDIUM )  
TENSION MEMBERS DEVICE )  
AND METHOD )

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, and supplemental to the Request for Reconsideration filed January 5, 2005, which was fully responsive to that Office Action, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.